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In re Application of: ROTH, Ray; LAKING, Rodger

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of **December 5, 2008**, Applicant respectfully submits this response along with a 3-month extension of time. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.